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**RE:** Inventors: Donald R. Ryan, et al.  
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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**RESPONSE A**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.